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Reminders
• ‘At Monash’ seminars - Architecture 29 April; Interior Architecture 30 April; Psychology 1 May; Medicine and Biomedical Science 6 May; Law 7 May; Health Science and Social Work 13 May; Education and Nursing 20 May. More dates and bookings: www.monash.edu/seminars.
• Indigenous Student Experience Monash Day Get a taste of university life - Fri 2 May; kristel.keleher@monash.edu. Ph 9905 8699; www.monash.edu.au/study/life/indigenous
• UMAT – Registrations close: 6 June; UMAT test date: 30 July 2014.

1. VCE AND CAREERS EXPO - ‘The Age’ VCE and Careers Expo is Victoria’s largest education and careers fair. Universities, TAFEs, private providers, and many others will have representatives there. Get your questions answered, collect information, and be informed. When: 9am-3pm, Thurs 8 & Fri 9 May; 10am-4pm, Sat 10 & Sun 11 May; Where: Caulfield Racecourse; Cost: $10 (family concession); www.vceandcareers.com.au

2. CHECK OUT THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE – If you would like to find out more about Melbourne degrees, you may wish to attend a ‘Focus on Melbourne’ seminar. Explore your options, meet staff and students, and hear about courses and careers.
• 27 May – Focus on Commerce
• 28 May – Focus on Science
• 4 June – Focus on Agriculture
• 10 June – Focus on Law
• 11 June – Focus on Engineering and IT
• 18 June – Focus on the Conservatorium of Music
• 25 June – Focus on the Victorian College of the Arts (VCA)
More information and bookings: www.futurestudents.unimelb.edu.au/events2014

3. PHARMACY AT MONASH UNIVERSITY
As of 2015, the Bachelor of Pharmacy degree will be re-titled to Bachelor of Pharmacy (Honours) and the Bachelor of Pharmacy (Scholars) will be re-titled to Bachelor of Pharmacy (Honours) (Scholars). All students considering the Bachelor of Pharmacy in 2015 should be aware that the Supplementary Information form will no longer be required when applying for the course through VTAC. In addition, the Bachelor of Pharmacy/Commerce double degree has been discontinued.

4. DO YOU WANT TO EXPLORE A CAREER IN MEDICINE? Deakin University is holding an Information Evening at the Geelong Waurn Ponds Campus (where Deakin offers their post-graduate medicine degree). Delivered by the School of Medicine, you will learn about the courses and pathways available in medicine and optometry at Deakin. When: 6-7.30pm, Tues 20 May. Details to follow. (NOTE: Medicine is also offered in Victoria by Monash University (undergraduate and post-graduate degrees) and the University of Melbourne (post-graduate degree).

5. WHAT IS SPEECH PATHOLOGY? Speech pathologists (or therapists) diagnose and treat people with communication disorders (eg speech, voice) and people with problems swallowing or eating. They may work with people who have a cleft palate, delayed speech, stuttering or brain damage, and work with other health professionals. A number of universities in Victoria offer degrees in speech pathology. Australian Catholic Uni, La Trobe Uni and Charles Sturt Uni at Albury-Wodonga (a NSW university) all offer 4-year degrees. Speech pathology can also be studied at the University of Melbourne where students first complete a 3-year undergraduate degree followed by a 2-year Masters in Speech Pathology. The Clearly-in ATAR last year for ACU was 85.20, La Trobe (Bundoora) 90.15 (Bendigo) 83.10, and Charles Sturt 75.00. Note: last year’s ATAR is only a guide – students are sometimes offered a place with a lower ATAR because they did well in certain subjects (receiving a Subject Bonus), or because they had a Special Entry Access Scheme (SEAS) application due to some disadvantage experienced in their education. ATARs move up and down according to factors like the number of applicants for a course, the applicant’s ATARs, and the number of places available.
6. INTERESTED IN A CAREER IN IT, GAMES OR TELECOMMUNICATIONS?
Box Hill Institute has an Information Night where you can learn about courses leading to careers in IT, Games or Telecommunications. You can also meet teachers and check out facilities. When: 6-8pm, Mon 2 June; Where: Room N1, G 32/33, Nelson Campus, cnr Nelson/Whitehorse Roads; Info/bookings: Ph 9286 9830, ict@boxhill.edu.au.

7. BIOLOGY AND CHEMISTRY SEMINARS
The Faculty of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences at Monash University (Parkville campus) is offering support to current Unit 3 & 4 Biology and Chemistry students. Seminars are designed to reinforce key learnings, delivered by qualified VCE teachers. Dates: Biology - 5.30-7pm, 4 June, 27 Aug and 8 Nov (one already been held); Chemistry: 4.30-6pm, 11 June, 3 Sept and 15 Oct (one already held). Where: Monash University (Parkville), 381 Royal Parade, Parkville; Cost: Free; Register: www.monash.edu/pharm/about/events/vce-seminars.html; Info: Tom Day, phone 9903 9594, tom.day@monash.edu.

8. CAREER DISCOVERY IN FASHION AND TEXTILES – To assist you in selecting the most appropriate fashion program, RMIT Fashion and Textiles is conducting a Career Discovery in Fashion and Textiles program. It will cover trends in the industry, courses available, and practical activities. Career options in fashion and textiles are diverse and multi-faceted and RMIT’s School of Fashion is acutely aware of the skills and knowledge required by graduates to participate and positively contribute in today’s competitive marketplace. Educational programs and pathways servicing this industry and the skills and knowledge they provide are specifically varied in content and focus. Who: Year 11 and 12 students; When: 9.30am-4.30pm, 1-3 July, 2014 (three days); Cost: $350; Enrol: Contact RMIT Training on 9925 8111.

9. PARENT AND STUDENT TERTIARY INFORMATION NIGHT – Deakin University is offering an evening where you can start to plan your VCE, university and career. Find out about courses, VTAC applications, prerequisites, costs, scholarships and pathways to university. When: Burwood campus – 6-8pm, Wed 21 May; Geelong Waterfront campus – 6-8pm, Wed 28 May.

10. A YEAR WITH THE DEFENCE FORCES – If you would like to earn good money, make new friends, and get great training, the Army is currently recruiting for roles with only a 12-months commitment. After a year you can chose to stay in the Army or use your training elsewhere. To find out more go to a One Year Roles Information Session. When: 5.30 (arrival time) for 6pm start (7pm finish), Wed 7 May; Where: Level 14, Reception area, 501 Swanston St, Melbourne; RSVP (essential) to: CPTVIC@dfr.com.au.

11. BACHELOR OF LAWS AT VICTORIA UNIVERSITY – Taught in the former Births, Deaths and Marriages building, a small campus in Queens Street, Melbourne, VU’s approach to learning combines theory with practice. VU’s partnerships with the courts and community legal services give students a unique exposure to the real experiences of the justice system. These opportunities challenge students through practical experiences for a rewarding career in law that could range from working for government, the community or in private enterprise. Information: www.vu.edu.au/courses/bachelor-of-laws-blaw.

12. INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ADMISSIONS TEST (ISAT) – ISAT is a three-hour test comprised of multiple-choice questions and used by Australian universities to assist their selection of international students for some undergraduate and postgraduate courses. The ISAT measures general academic abilities considered important for coping with the intellectual demands of most tertiary courses; it also assesses critical reasoning and quantitative reasoning. ISAT is required for a number of Australian degrees such as Medicine at Monash University, and for the Universities of Tasmania, Western Sydney, Western Australia, Queensland and of NSW, for Veterinary Science at the University of Sydney, and for Dentistry at the Universities of Queensland and Western Australia. ISAT is delivered by Prometric, and there are over 5000 Authorised Prometric Testing Centres around the world, with tests available between April and February. You can select a test date at one of these centres convenient to your location. Info: http://isat.acer.edu.au, email isat@acer.edu.au.